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ANGUS SHOPS VISITED BY SCI. '13 CLUB

Interesting Tour of C. P. R. Works—Professor Keay Acts as Guide

On Wednesday, February 21st, a party of about fifty members of the Science '13 Debating Club visited the Angus Shops of the C. P. R. The holiday at McGill afforded an excellent opportunity to see in operation the most modern and most extensive railway shops in Canada. The party made an early start, and under the guidance of Prof. H. O. Keay spent several interesting hours inspecting the various departments.

The erecting floor presented many features of particular interest. In this shop several large locomotives of the most modern design are in course of construction. The large articulated compound engines which at present are doing excellent service on the mountain divisions of the Canadian Pacific Railway were built in this department. The machine shop is equipped with a complete installation of modern machinery, and the rapidity and precision with which the work is turned out in this shop is an indication of the efficiency of the wonderful system which is apparent throughout the whole plant. The wheel foundry was another point of interest. Here moulding and casting is carried on simultaneously, and the finished castings are cooled in large annealing ovens. This department has a maximum capacity of three hundred and fifty wheels per day. In the car shop the McGill boys had an opportunity of seeing under construction the first steel passenger car built by the C. P. R. The car is of the Pullman type and of steel construction throughout. The power house and lorge shop were also visited The steam plant is equipped with a large battery of boilers, fitted with automatic stokers, and the engine room installation consists of several Corliss Engines driving alternating generators and air compressors.

Perhaps one of the most impressive features to the visitors was the rapidity with which the transportation of material under construction was accomplished by a complete system of overhead travellers, air hoists, transfer tables and trucks.

The trip was thoroughly interesting and it was only regretted that the limited time made it difficult to see all departments of the very extensive plant. The members appreciated the kindness of Prof. Keay, who accompanied the party, and explained the various features of the shops. The thanks of the party are also due to Mr. H. H. Vaughan of the C. P. R., who has on many occasions manifested a friendly interest in McGill men.

INTERESTING BOOK BY DR HEMMEON ON BRITISH POST OFFICE

Issued by Harvard Press—Traces Progress From Early Times

A book by Dr. Hemmeon, Professor of Economics, on "The History of the British Post Office," has just been issued by the Harvard Press. It forms one of the series known as the Harvard Economic Studies, and deals with what is perhaps the oldest state monopoly in the history of England.

The first four chapters of the book give a general historical outline of the progress and development of the British Postal System, from the first small beginning in the time of Edward III. down to the extensive and complicated mechanism of the present day. The remaining chapters are concerned with detailed descriptions of particular lines of development such as rates, post-horses, foot-roads, the parcel post, telegraphs and telephones, and the political difficulties arising out of the employment of so large a body of civil servants.

Dr. Hemmeon is to be congratulated on the production of a book on so interesting a subject, and one on which very little accurate and condensed information has hitherto been obtainable.

The Queen's Field Company of Canadian Engineers was inspected last Thursday. Col. Mannsell, Director of Engineering Services was the inspecting officer and he expressed himself as more than pleased with the showing made.

CANADIAN UNIVERSITY DOINGS

Varsity won from Queen's in curling on Saturday last when a bonspell was held in Kingston.

The annual elections of the Rugby Club of the University of Toronto resulted as follows: President, R. F. Thompson, B. A., '10; Vice-Pres., R. E. Grass, '13; Sec.-Treas., Art Grey, '15; Ass't. Sec.-Treas., Jas. McLelland, '14. The Treasurer's report for the preceding year showed a tremendous surplus on hand.

Mr. E. W. Sliter has consented to act as honorary coach of the Queen's University Rugby Football Team for next season. He will have full charge and control of the team.

AN APPRECIATION FROM QUEENS

McGill is rejoicing over the big win of Friday. They lay the happy result to unselfish team work and determination to win. Queen's congratulates them heartily.—Queen's Journal.

A gold watch is to be awarded to the homeliest student in Coe College. The recipient, or victim, is to be chosen by the student body.

MEDICAL SOPHS WILL HOLD COOK DEMONSTRATION

Janitor Tobin Will be Crowned King of Medicos at Union To-Night

The old time Cook Celebrations shall be perpetuated by the crowning of Tobin, His Ruthless Majesty—Cook the Second—King of the Medicos; Emperor of the Medical Building; Grand Field Marshall of the Campus.

The Sophomores of the Faculty of Medicine are busily engaged in preparing for a monster celebration tonight. Tabin, who is next in the Royal line will be paid homage by his most loyal subjects at a gorgeous coronation to be held in the McGill Union to-night at eight o'clock.

All loyal subjects shall meet at the corner of Bleury and Sherbrooke Sts. at 7.30. From this sacred rendezvous Tobin shall lead a costume parade to the Union where the formal proceedings will take place.

All Hail! King Cook of the Medicos.

A sumptuous banquet has been arranged and speeches and formalities of high degree will mark the "dawn of a New Era" in the King of the Medicos.

Alexander Baird, B. Sc., '02 after being graduated was employed by the Rand Drill Co'y. of New York, as a draftsman. He was Chief Engineer for the Plaisdell Machinery Co'y. of Brad'or'l, Pa., for four years and left them about two years ago to enter the sales department of the Chicago Pneumatic Tool Co'y. at 50 Church street, New York.

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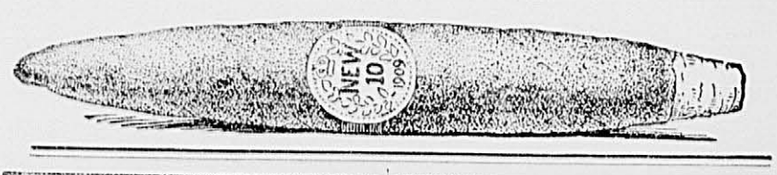

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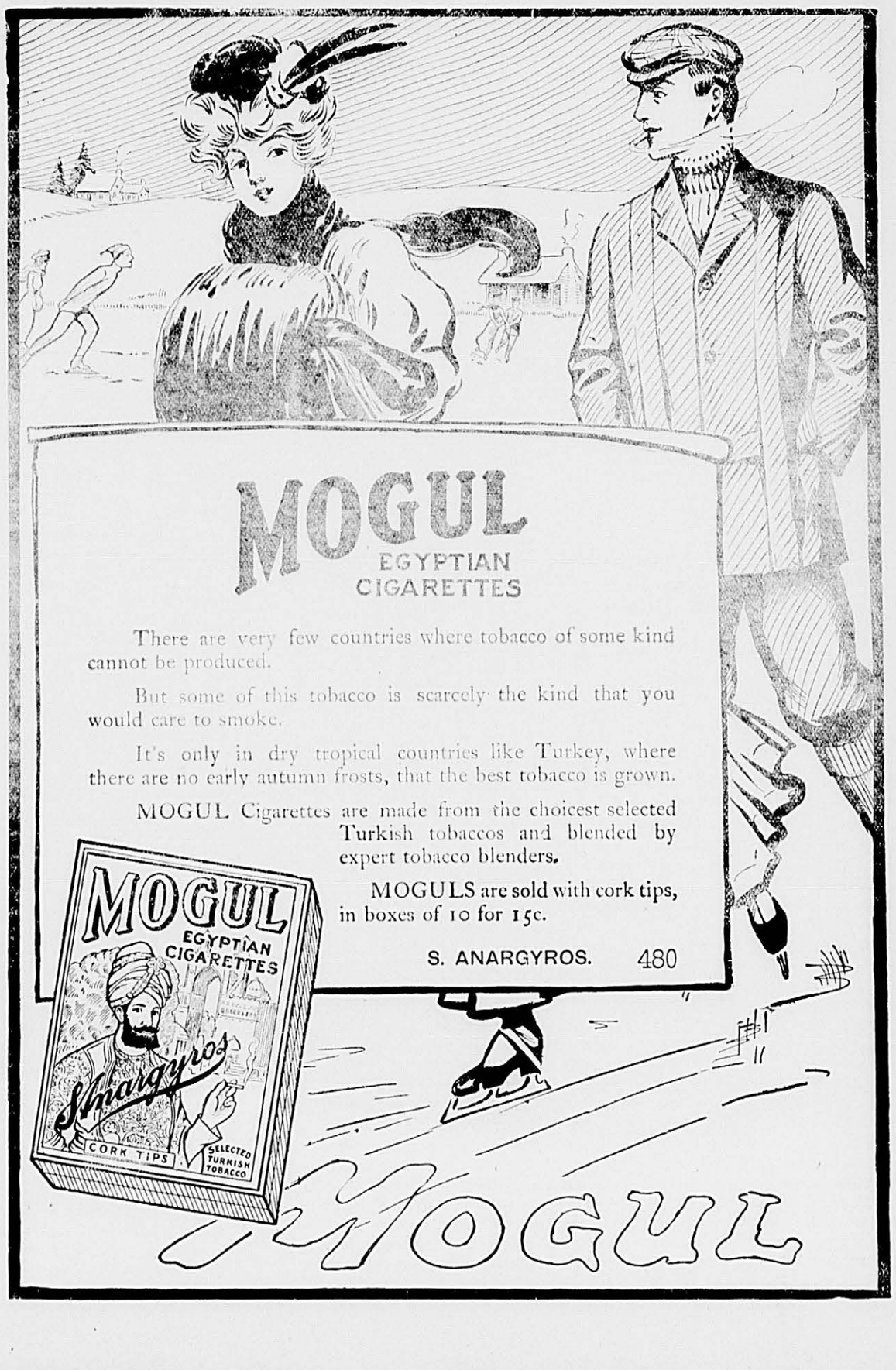

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HISTORICAL CLUB WILL KEEP OLD MEMBERS' NIGHT

Interesting Paper to be Read by President of Harvard Club

This evening the annual Old Members' Night of the Historical Club will be held in Strathcona Hall, starting at 8.15 p.m. This function is always a very enjoyable one, many old members taking the opportunity of renewing their former associations with the club and of meeting the present members.

During the past week many old members have intimated to Mr. H. F. Johnson, the secretary, their intention of being present tonight. Among them are two who are now members of the faculty, Professors McMillan and Rose.

Dr. Colby, Honorary President of the Club, was another of those who were expected to attend, but he has been unfortunately called away on urgent business to New York, leaving Montreal today.

The programme for the evening is a paper by Mr. Klein, President of the Historical Society of Harvard, his subject being, "Modern Methods of Historical Research." Mr. Klein is a graduate of California University, and is taking post-graduate work at Harvard. He arrived in Montreal last night and will be in the city until Saturday. During his stay he will be entertained by various members of the Historical Club.

All members of the Club should make a point of attending the meeting tonight, to hear what will doubtless prove to be an exceedingly interesting paper, read by one who is an expert on the subject he has chosen.

GERMAN UNIVERSITY RECEIVES BIG GIFT

A New York despatch says that J. Pierpont Morgan has given $50,000 to the University of Goettingen, Hanover, Germany, to enable the university to retain its present supremacy as a centre for American and English literature. Mr. Morgan was a student at Goettingen in his youthful days. Dr. Thomas C. Hall, professor of Christian Ethics at Union Theological Seminary, who also is a former student at Goettingen, and who has acted as intermediary in the bestowal of the gift, made the announcement of the gift last night. "No doubt it is with Mr. Morgan's most timely gift in view," said Dr. Hall, "that the Prussian Government has decided to make Goettingen a centre for the study of English letters." Dr. Hall said that up to recent years the connection of the University of Goettingen with England was so close that its collection of books in the English language was probably the finest on the Continent. —Ex.

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THE INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE

The final Intercollegiate debate for this year, which takes place tomorrow night in the Union, will decide whether Queen's or McGill are to be Debating Champions for the season 1911-12. The importance of this debate is very great to all those who value the reputation of their Alma Mater as a producer of men skilled in the use of words. McGill has not won this championship for eight years. Surely it is time for a revival in debating ability, contemporaneous with the remarkable revival which the present year has seen in the field of athletics.

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In the past McGill has not been particularly noted as a University where the art of public speaking was fostered or eocouraged. Even so late as a few years ago debating was looked upon more or less with contempt, and the Literary Society eked out a precarious existence, neglected and almost uncared for. On the other hand, Toronto, Queen's and even the much smaller Universities of the Maritime Provinces, could boast of flourishing institutions where the questions of the day were brought forward, discussed, and settled as only a body of undergraduates know how.

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The result of all this has been plainly seen. These other universities number among their alumni many of the present rulers of the country, members of Parliament, Cabinet Ministers, and the like. McGill, while she has turned out famous statesmen, has nevertheless not got to her credit as many public men as her size and importance should warrant. Only ten out of two hundred and twenty-one members of Parliament are McGill graduates.

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It is high time that this state of affairs should be changed. It is becoming increasingly evident that Canada needs not merely good engineers and good capitalists to develop her resources, but good politicians and good statesmen to regulate the manner in which those resources shall be developed, and to safeguard the interests of the people in the process. Those who have received a university education are the men to whom the country is looking to manage the affairs of state. McGill should not be behindhand in responding to the call.

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It is for these reasons, largely, that we hope to see our debaters win the championship tomorrow night: to prove to the people of Canada that McGill, too, has men who concern themselves with the public questions of the day: to show that McGill will no longer be behindhand in turning out graduates who have the true interests of the country at heart, and who will take an intelligent and active interest in the political problems that they, as university men, will be called upon to face.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

We are glad to see that the Historical Club has succeeded in persuading Mr. Klein, President of the Historical Society of Harvard, to deliver an address before it at its Old Members' meeting tonight. The friendly spirit that exists between McGill and the great American University has already been strikingly demonstrated this year by the hockey team's trip to Boston and the hospitable manner in which it was received. This spirit will be still further amplified and extended in another direction by the interchange of the literary and scholastic talent of the two institutions. The Historical Club is to be congratulated upon making a step in that direction. Last year a system of interchanging professors was started between the three principal Canadian Universities, Toronto, Queen's and McGill. Is it not within the range of feasibility to extend this system so as to include some of the sister universities across the line?

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Among the many new student organizations that have sprung up within the past few months, the McGill Students' Orchestra is by no means the least important. Its organizers deserve the greatest credit for having conceived the idea and for having, in spite of some opposition, carried out their conceptions in a degree so markedly successful. Too little credit, perhaps, was given to the Orchestra for the success of the Vaudeville night. And yet it is safe to say that its part in the performance required more laborious practice than that of any other of the various components which made up the programme. The Orchestra, too, has been most generous in placing its services at the disposal of the various societies who have requested its services at their meetings. We will venture to hope that some permanent organization will be formed which will be the means of perpetuating the Orchestra as one of McGill's highest student activities.

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With regard to the election of the three Athletic representatives, it is the intention in future to hold the annual meeting of the Athletic Association immediately after the annual meeting of the Students' Council; this will ensure a large turnout to vote for the Athletic representatives.

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McGILL & QUEENS INTERCOLLEGIATE DEBATE PROSPECTS

Messrs. Murray and Holland McGill's Speakers on Friday Night

After the brilliant triumphs of last week, all eyes are now turned to the Intercollegiate Debate, which takes place on Friday night in the big hall of the Union. Queen's and McGill will face each other on the Rostrum, as they have faced each other on the campus and on the rink.

Each side has won one debate. McGill's representatives, Messrs. McNaughton and French, beat Varsity in Toronto in December. Queen's and Ottawa were so evenly matched that Judge Idington of the Supreme Court was unable to decide between them. Consequently a second contest had to be fought in January, at Kingston, and resulted in a victory for the local team.

McGill and Queen's are thus left to fight out the championship. For a long time McGill has seen her debaters go down before the superior talent of the other members of the Intercollegiate League. For eight years the Debating Trophy has been a stranger to the Redpath Library; but it is confidently hoped that Friday night will see it return to the old love, and find a safe resting place in the trophy room of the Union.

The subject of debate is one which is attracting a great deal of attention all over the world—one of the vital problems which the British people have to face: "Resolved that Home Rule, with representation at Westminster, would be in the best interests of Ireland," McGill is taking the negative. The Queen's debaters are Mr. G. H. Steer and Mr. J. R. Tuttle.

Dr. Leacock was entrusted with the task of selecting the McGill team. His choice fell upon Messrs. Murray and Holland, and was generally acclaimed by those acquainted with the debating abilities of these two gentlemen, as the best that could have been made. Both Mr. Murray and Mr. Holland hail from Vancouver. Both have taken a prominent part in the meetings of the Lit, of which Mr. Murray is this year's President. In the Mock Parliament both were ministers in the Conservative cabinet of Mr. John McNaughton. Both can be depended upon to do their utmost to win back the long lost championship.

Mr. Murray's style is lucid, dramatic and forceful. While not entering into detailed argument, he seizes upon the salient points of the case he has to present, and drives them home with the power which a wide vocabulary and a particularly happy selection of phrases engenders. He is essentially an orator, and an orator of whose prowess the men from Queen's should beware.

Mr. Holland, who will lead for the negative, has already made a great impression in debating circles, though this is only his first year at McGill. His style is less florid than Mr. Murray's, but he has an easy and graceful flow of language into which he can introduce much sound argument. His speeches are well-balanced and harmonious, transitions from one point to another being scarcely noticeable.

The meeting will be presided over by Mr. Fineberg, acting in his capacity as Vice-President of the Literary Society, and is open to the public. The McGill Students' Orchestra will be in attendance. It is expected that a large crowd will be present to cheer the Red and White to victory.

TO DO AWAY WITH RUSHING

There seems to be a growing tendency to do away with rushing among the sororities. Wellesley has adopted such a plan and now the University of Colorado is trying to evolve some plan by which the rushing question can be definitely settled. The following article appearing in the Denver News, shows the plan of Mrs. Rosina Vaughn Zimmerhackel, an alumna of the Pi Beta Phi sorority of the University of Colorado.

The practice known as "rushing," which exists among the fraternities and sororities of American colleges and universities, is admitted to be one of the most fruitful sources of evil in academic life, 'Rushing' consists of a strenuous campaign for new members which is generally carried on during the first few weeks of the school term. Its outward tokens are invitations to dinner, to drives, to picnics, to dances, to receptions and little walks. The net result of the campaign of the freshman is one, or perhaps two or three invitations to join Greek letter organizations, and the net result for the Greek lettes society is either an acceptance or a refusal from the "rushed" one.

"Among the sororities in the University of Colorado and the University of Denver, rushing is a custom marked by bitter jealousies and humiliations or else by sweeping triumphs. There are tears for the girls who receive invitation from sororities for which they do not care and there are more and bitter tears for the girls who receive no invitations at all. There are hours of perplexity for girls who are "rushed" by two or three sororities. The sorority that gets the prettiest and most accomplished girls, enjoys a triumph, while the sorority that draws what is known in college parlance as "a bunch of lemons," fells humiliated, and tries proudly to conceal it.

A COMPLICATED PROCESS.

"Altogether "rushing" is quite a complicated process. It is the only topic worth talking about during the first week of school in the two institutions mentioned for the girls at least. The men "rush" too, but they do it in a less violent fashion and take it a shade less seriously.

"Faculties have protested bitterly against the practice and so have some of the students; a few years ago it was mitigated in both universities by the formation of Pan-Hellenic societies which succeeded in getting the thing down to at least a basis of fair play.

"But now the alumnae of the Pi Beta Phi sorority graduates both of Denver and of Colorado universities, have come forward with a plan to abolish "rushing" altogether by a sweeping charge in the method of admitting new members into sororities. The originator of the plan is Mrs. Rosina Vaughn Zimmerhackel, graduate of the University of Colorado, in the class of 1903, now the wife of a rising young Denver attorney.

"Mrs. Zimmerhackel's plan was formally approved at a recent meeting of the alumnae of Colorado Alpha chapter at Boudier and Colorado Beta chapter at Denver. This body is now drafting plans to submit for what will eventually become a nation-wide campaign.

" 'The plan is quite simple,' said Mrs. Zimmerhackel, at her home, 630 Gilpin street, yesterday. 'We propose to cut out rushing simply by getting all sororities to agree not to accept students who have been in the university less than one year. That will abolish the rushing of freshmen, which gives rise to all kinds of evils, but we will go farther than that.

STUDENTS TO APPLY.

"No invitations will be issued by sororities at all. The students who want to join a sorority will make application just as you would apply for membership in a literary society. If a girl is refused by one sorority she can apply for membership in another. Under the rules of the Pan-Hellenic society all applications will be held in strict confidence until the girl is pledged formally.

"Would the sororities get the girl they wanted? I think they would. Every girl in college sooner or later finds out the girls she likes and associates with them whether they are in her sorority or not. Now, under the new plan, I believe that the sororities would eventually become groups of girls who were thoroughly congenial.

MAKE BETTER SELECTIONS.

"Certainly there would be a better basis for selection than the present system of rushing, in which girls are often judged by the clothes they wear the money they appear to have and their ability to shine in company on short notice. Sororities often make serious mistakes in the girls they rush. Girls who seemed at first to possess perfectly stunning social qualities have turned out to be mere butterflies or worse.

"A sorority ought not to choose a girl at all until she has had a chance to show what she is and what she can do in school.

"Rushing often results in "flunks" at the end of the semester. Girls have their heads turned by so much attention that they can't settle down to serious work. Then, on the personal side, there are bitter feelings among the girls who aren't rushed so violently as others. A girl can't help noticing that another girl is receiving a great deal of attention, while she herself gets little or none. The system of formal application would do away with all that."

OLD ELI CONTEMPLATES THREE-TERM ARRANGEMENT

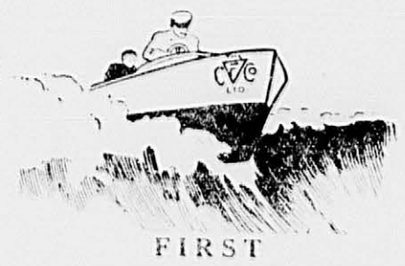
Yale will Change Present System

The respective merits of the two term and three term systems are being threshed out in many American colleges at present. In this connection, it is interesting to note that Yale will probably make a change in the near future. The two term system at McGill seems to be giving every satisfaction.

Yale is seriously considering the adoption of the semester, or two-term system, in place of the three-term arrangement now in force. It is hoped to lengthen the vacations so that students living at a distance will have a reasonable time to spend at home.

Dartmouth's win over Pennsylvania last Saturday places her at the top of the Big Six Basketball League. Dartmouth has won four and lost one game this season, and Pennsylvania, Columbia and Cornell have each won three and lost two.

Believing in the advisability of adding the terpsichorean art to the curriculum, a class in dancing has been formed at the University of Kansas. According to the Daily Kansan, folk and aesthetic dancing as well as the more common varieties will be taught the male students.

The Motor that  Makes the Boat

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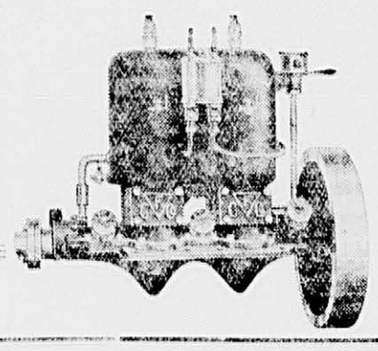

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Reminiscences of a Census Man

By

Harold R. Griffith

(Concluded)

The way in which the schedules were prepared at Ottawa, and the instructions given left room for a great deal of ambiguity in their interpretation. Each enumerator would have his own way of interpreting certain questions, so a gseat deal of difficulty must have been experienced at headquarters in making up the complete returns. The census as it was taken last year was ideal for country districts, but did not work out so well in the cities. Apart altogether from the question of omissions there were some points on which it was impossible for the enumerator to obtain correct information. For instance, enumerators were supposed to distinguish on their sheets between the value of a man's house and the lot on which it was built. This is manifestly impossible in cities.

June is certainly not the best month for taking such a comprehensive census as that of 1911. A great many people were away from home at this time, but this drawback was overcome to a large extent by a very complete system of double checking. When an enumerator found a house closed up it was his duty to find out who lived there and if possible where the people were at the time. He then sent this information to Ottawa on an "Absent Card." On the other hand when an enumerator found a family in temporary lodgings, he took down all information about them and sent a card up to Ottawa on which were written the names and permanent homes of this family. Then these cards were pared off at Ottawa, and those who were away from were transferred to their right places of abode.

Doubtless there are often chances for a dishonest enumerator to use certain information toward his own gain. One day I had just taken the census of a boarding-house at which there were quite a number of young men, none of whom, as it happened, carried any life insurance. The next house I was in was that of an insurance agent. He noticed that there were a lot of blank spaces on my sheet in the life insurance column. He offered me a good deal for the names and addresses of those men without insurance.

Sometimes one will find that people are terribly inquisitive about the affairs of their neighbors, and unless the enumerator is very careful he will find some woman trying to see on his sheet how old the woman next door is, or what salary Mr. Jones gets. But every man connected in any way with the census is under oath never to reveal any information secured, and not to keep for his own use any records or schedules connected with the taking of the census.

Happy is the enumerator who secures a district with many apartment houses or hotels, for there are a great many people to be counted without having to cover much ground. For example, the man who had one of the large convents in Montreal used to go there every day and copy the names of and the information about the inmates out of the books of the institution, receiving five cents for each one without moving out of his chair. This man got over a thousand names, and this one building formed his whole district. My own district included a large hospital. This was most interesting work. No patients were counted except those who had no permanent home in Canada, because the names of the others would be given by their relations or friends at their homes. I had to enumerate all the nurses and employees who lived at the hospital.

Strange as it may seem, I met with practically no unwillingness on the part of women to telling their ages, although, of course, she could not vouch for the truth of all the figures given. I met with quite a number of people who honestly had no idea how old they were, and many a time the family Bible was brought into use. At one house I was received by two rather good-looking young ladies. On being asked their ages they replied with the very embarassing request to guess how old they were. "Well," I said, "I don't know how old you are, but you certainly don't look it."

Going about as he does, an enumerator often meets with rather unusual experiences. One man tells me a story which struck me as being pretty good. Let us call the man "Smith." Well, Smith was walking down the street one day carrying his census portfolio under his arm, and pondering deeply over all the weighty matters which rest so heavily on the long-suffering census man. Suddenly a very wildly excited boy, aged five, appeared on the scene with the startling news that a "lady burglar" had just entered the house from which he had emerged. "I know she was a burglar 'cause she went in the window there. You wait here while I run for the 'cops,'" said this youthful Sherlock. Smith, not knowing what else to do, waited until he saw the child disappear around the corner, and then he started out to investigate—very cautiously, nevertheless, for was there not a desperate "lady burglar" in the house. He mounted the steps and rang the bell. Greatly to his surprise a woman came up to the door and turned a key from the inside. Now he was sure he was in for a real adventure. So he went down the steps again and planned his campaign. He decided to try the window by which this mysterious woman had entered. On looking through the window, which was open, he saw a woman moving around the room. "What are you doing here?" boldly asked the intrepid census man. "Well, what do you want? This is my house," came the astonishing answer. Now poor Smith knew that he had been hoaxed. What was he to do? Ah! happy thought! Here are his census schedules and the house is in his district. "I am here to take the census," he told her. "Don't you think you had better come in by the door, then?" the woman asked him. Sheepishly Smith turned to go up the steps when who should arrive on the scene but the aforementioned youthful prodigy leading two stalwart policemen. Bravely they enter by the window. The five-year-old hero is confronted by his own mother, who, it seems, had forgotten her door key and so had used the window instead!

THE ORPHEUM

As a headliner the "Ten Vassar Girls" has hardly been equalled this season. Their Japanese and military acts were exceedingly taking and the music was excellent. DeWitt Young presenting the College Boy juggler was very clever and seemed able to juggle anything in a college boy's room, from matches to bedsteads. Miss Mildred Grover gave some very clever songs and sayings, while her assistant, Dick Richards, gave an original sketch on the piano called "A Trip Around the World." Mr. and Mrs. Perkins Fisher in "the Half Way House" were exceedingly entertaining. Isabella D'Armand and Frank Carter gave some amusing and original "Bits of Vaudeville." William Macart and Ethlynne Bradford, in their "Legitimate Hold-Up" certainly "hold-up" the audience. Macart makes a really good "freak" and could give some of us tips, while Ed. Wynn certainly has a "funny hat." He doesn't need the hat to keep the audience laughing though. The Six Abdallahs were very good in their tumbling act, and altogether you couldn't find a better way to spend your holiday than going to see this week's bill, which is an extremely good one.

The Ohio State Press Association is planning to take a straw vote of the college students of Ohio for the Presidency and the Oberlin Review is undertaking the work at Oberlin.

ENGLISH BILLIARD CONTEST RESULTS

CASSELS AND GORDON WIN IN THIRD ROUND.

The second round in the Union Billiard Tournament must be played off this week. Only three of these games remain and several third round games have been played. The scores not yet published are—

(Won by first mentioned player.)

Jackson 55; Hollinsed 115.
Score—259—241.

Crewdson 60; Crosley 75.
Score 250—204.

de Hart 15; Buckley 40.
Score 250—213.

Clarke 50; Wilgress 105.
Score 250; 194.

Galloway 35; Walley 40.
Score 250—227.

SECOND ROUND.

J. L. Gordon 105; Harkom 85. Score 250—242.

J. B. de Hart 15; Jackson 55. Score 250—186.

Clarke 50; E. Crewdson 60. Score 250—184.

Bremner 95; Graham 40. Score 250—243.

Hull, scratch; Murray 15. Score 250—218.

Other second round games already reported.

THIRD ROUND.

M. Gordon 15; McDougall 75. Score 250—246.

Gordon played very good billiards but only won from McDougall by the narrow margin of four points.

Cassels 30; Creaghan 20. Score 250—191.

Cassels showed superiority in all kinds of shots. Creaghan played a splendid game in the early stages, holding his handicap throughout the first hundred. Both players potted the white continually and played safe rather than attempt a risky shot.

FLUNKING PHILOSOPHY AT U. OF ARKANSAS

Sidelights on an All Too Prevalent Practice

Theoretically it is possible for a student to pass through the University without ever falling below the passing mark in any of his studies. However, it is to be hoped that no student has been so negligent as to permit this state of affairs to exist. No college could possibly be complete without one or more "flunks" recorded somewhere along the way. Statistics bear out this statement.

Flunking is now so popular and prevalent that Flunkers classes are organized every year at mid-term for their accomodation, thereby proving that flunking does not fail to receive its due recognition. Another mark of recognition given flunkers should also be mentioned. The Freshman class, as is well known, heads the list in the flunking. For this reason the classification committee often gives freshmen only fourteen hours work. Thereby saving the freshmen the ignominy of failing in more than fourteen hours.

Flunking is confined to the Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, Senior and Special classes. Formerly it was possible for a preparatory student to flunk, but this evil was abolished by the timely discontinuance of the Preparatory Department.

Flunking has been immortalized by the following beautiful poem, penned by one who undoubtedly knew whereof he wrote.

When the ink refuses to leave the pen's tip,
And your thoughts flow slow as the winters "sip",
When your brows contract and your hours relax,
And the quiz on the board your wit does fax,
When you're told you must say things you simply can't tell,
And the Prof. looked formidable as well,
You've flunked, old man, you've flunked.

—Exchange.

QUESTIONABLE ETHICS.

It would be of psychological interest to examine the minds of the men who steal books of the Library reserve shelves and automatically amass comfortable little book collections af their own, with little trouble and no expense. It is scarcely creditable that any man would deliberately make an expedition to the library and wantonly bear away a book belonging to some one else, in order to appropriate it as an additional and useful bit of personal property. Self-delusion must exist in one form or another. Perhaps a man flatters himself that he is taking out a long lease on the book, with the ultimate intention of restoring it; or else he feels that the Library is a University organication and in consequence exempt from the ordinary rules of morality. But whatever the delusion the result is the same. Professors go to the greatest trouble to exhume expensive volumes from the unknown depths of the library and to have them placed on the reserve shelves. They even bring their own precious tomes over from their houses and put them at the mercy of the undergraduates, simply in order that students may accomplish the required reading with as little expense as possible. And the result of the generosity is that several professors (to say nothing of the Library itself), have already this year lost valuable volumes, some of them almost impossible to be replaced. If this continues, the reserve shelf system will have to be abolished. Let the spoilers only find some other means of accumulating their ill-gotten libraries, and the vast and honest majority will not have to be deprived of an invaluable benefit, solely on account of the despicable few.

The blast of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway contractors is echoing against the rocky walls of Tete Jaune Cache to make way for civilization and the shrill echoes of the locomotive whistle later on.

Going Westward from Edmonton along the Grand Trunk Pacific route the traveller sees the trail of the second comer already strongly marked, and Tete Jaune Cache is the objective point at present for the end of steel by the spring of 1912. At present the Grand Trunk Pacific steel is beyond the Great Divide and over the summit of the Yellowhead Pass.

Historically, Tete Jaune is the centre of interest in Western Canada, as this point was the site of one of the Hudson Bay posts one hundred years ago, when the route from the Pine, the Peace, and the Fraser rivers brought the furs and the merchandise through this gateway. At the present time there is only a band of Shuswap Indians camped on the South side of the Fraser, and as soon as the steel reaches this locality and civilization with its kodaks and pocket books will effect the establishment of a permanent order of things.

Within a very short time Prince Rupert, the Pacific Coast Terminus of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will not have any occasion to import its supply of cement from England, Germany, China and even Victoria. During the past summer there was located near Shames a large deposit of limestone, that is considered perfect for the manufacture of cement. Accordingly the locaters staked the property, awaiting an examination by an experienced mining engineer.

THE TRAGEDY OF MAN

On Thursday night Miss Horniman's Company produced for the first time in Montreal "The Tragedy of Man" by John Masefield. The acting left nothing to be desired; but the play itself was a little thin, the action frequently dragging.

The scene is laid in what Miss Horniman in a few introductory remarks described as the "good old days" when a man could be hanged for sheep-stealing. Nan's father, though perfectly innocent, was convicted on circumstantial evidence of sheep stealing and publicly hanged. Poor Nan goes to live with her Aunt, a thorough she-devil, who makes the "gallows' girl's" life a hell on earth. Nan captivates Nick Gurvil, the young man whom her aunt has intended for her own daughter, Jennie. Nick proposes to Nan before the party and is accepted; but owing to the schemes of her aunt callously throws her off during the evening before the guests. Poor Nan, heartbroken, makes up her Mind to drown herself when the harvest tide is full that night. During the party Captain Nixon arrives and announces that the innocence of Nan's father has been proven by the confession of the real culprit, and gives Nan fifty pounds blood money from the Government.

When Dick finds that after all Nan is no "gallows' girl" and has fifty poubds to boot, he regrets his treachery and tries to make up with her. Nan stabs him to the heart and goes out to drown herself.

Irene Rooke as Nan acted a difficult part splendidly. Muriel Pratt as Mate Pargetter gave a wonderful characterization of the she-devil of an aunt. All the other parts were capably handled. In fact Miss Horniman ...ade a great mistake in her statement last week that she had no "stars" in her company. It would have been more correct if she had said she possessed an "All Star Cast." Miss Horniman made a few remarks before the curtain rose on "Nan" and promised that next week in "Mollentrave in Women" by Alfred Sutro, the company will present a play that was just as frivolous as Nan was serious.

No student can afford to miss going at least once to see this company.

IMPORTANT CHANGES IN FOOTBALL

The Football Rules Committee, which met at the beginning of this month, gave an unanimous decision favoring several changes. The committee met in New York last week in secret session for two days, and on Saturday, February 3rd, announced their decisions. The decisions were made known to the newspaper men by Chairman E. K. Hall, of Dartmouth.

1. The playing field, now 110 yds. in length, will be shortened to an even 100 yds. This change in itself is not vital but it is made in order to make possible on small grounds an extension of territory in which the forward pass may be used.

2. An area of ten yards' width beyond the goal lines is set apart and in this the attacking team will be allowed to use the forward pass.

3 The number of downs to gain ten yards is increased by one.

4. The on-side kick is entirely eliminated.

5 The value of a touchdown is increased from five points to six points the goal from touchdown and other scores standing as at present.

6. The twenty-yard zone in which the present rules now provide restrictions to interference with the forward pass is eliminated so that the restrictions will now apply to any part of the field.

7. In case of a touchdown the ball will be put in play from the twenty-yard line instead of the 25-yard line.

8. On a kick-off the ball, instead of being put in play in the centre of the field will be put in play from the 40-yard line of the team kicking off. Taking into consideration the shortening of the field and this change in the rules the kick-off distance is lengthened by five yards.

9. The field judge is eliminated. The head linesman will hereafter keep time and be judge of off-side plays in the scrimmage.

10. The number of men allowed on the side lines, now three, will be reduced to one for each team. A provision will be made to the effect that a bounding ball cannot score a legitimate goal.

12. The resting interval between the first and second period and the third and fourth period is reduced from two minutes to one minute.

COMING EVENTS

Today
Historical Club
(Strathcona Hall.)

Annual Cook Celebration
(McGill Union.)

Friday, February 24.
Intercollegiate Debate
(Union Assembly Hall.)

Medical Society
(Medical Building.)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOCKEY PRACTICE TODAY.

There will be a hockey practice this afternoon at 5 o'clock. The following only are requested to turn out:

Warwick, Hughes, Mann, Rankin, Scott, Thompson, Masson, Wilson, Smith, Ryley, Kendall, Gillmor, Davidson, Foreman, McGill, Williamson, Ray.

BASEBALL PRACTICE BEGUN AT HARVARD.

Baseball at Harvard has started under Dr. Sexton, the Crimson's coach, who has gathered his candidates together in the Gymnasium for preliminary work on the weights. On February 12 the squad will begin work in the cage. Fewer players than usual are on the squad because of the strenuous Fall practice, during which the coach weeded out much of the material. Harvard's chances for another winning team this year depends upon the pitchers that may be developed. At the present time, Felton, the football player, and Beebe, a former Technology man, are the most promising.

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